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"Against the insidious wiles of foreign influence, (I concur you to see no other,) it is the duty of every people ought to do, to give their contributions to its support. I believe that it is our duty to stand by the side of a republican government, Washington is one of the most beneficent & a republican government. Washington is one of the most beneficent & a republican government. Washington is one of the most beneficent & a republican government."

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1857.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Shelbyville Insurance Company. Owners of property are referred to the Card of the Shelbyville Fire, Life, and Marine Insurance Company. This Company is one of the safest and best managed Companies in the West.

Read all the cards under the head of Special Notices.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Philadelphia Jewelry House. Our readers, especially Silversmiths and Dealers in Jewelry, are referred to the card of HILDENBURN & BROTHER, one of the most extensive and best established Jewelry Houses in the United States. They are known—and favorably known at that—all over the Union; and therefore it is not necessary to say more.

Horse Wanted. Persons having such a horse for sale as is described in the advertisement of L. HUNTERSON, Louisville, will get a first rate price for him, See advertisement.

Maryland Lotteries. By reference to the advertisement of T. H. HARRISON & Co., it will be seen that they have recently sold some fine prizes. By reading their schemes for February, it will be seen that they are rich ones.

Emmette Fair. We insert to day the List of Premiums offered by the Union Agricultural and Mechanical Association at their next Fair, commencing first Tuesday in October, 1857. The List will be issued in pamphlet form in some two weeks.

Tavern House for Sale. P. D. JONESOON desires to sell a Tavern Stand in Gradenburg, Ky. formerly Hardinsville, Shelby County, Ky. See notes.

Dissolution. The firm of STANFORD & NEWLAND, Merchants of this place, it will be seen by their notice to day, has been dissolved; and they want everybody to come on and settle up.

On his Own Hook—New Goods. Readers will see by his advertisement in to-day's paper, that Maj. WM. STANFORD, is now in "cohort" with himself; and is daily expecting his first instalment of New Goods. Read his advertisement, and give him a call.

Administration Notice. These concerned are referred to the notice to debtors and creditors of Jno. R. BAKER, deceased, to settle up immediately.

Administrator's Sale. We publish to day the advertisement of the sale of the Davis Farm and personal property belonging to the estate of Jno. R. BAKER, deceased. The opportunity is now offered to any one who desires to obtain a most excellent farm near town, which should be embraced.

J. Delph.—By reference to the advertisement of sale of the property of S. RAN, deceased—which takes place on the 23rd instant—it will be seen that Mr. J. Delph, of Lexington, is the Auctioneer. His name was omitted last week.

The Shelby News. Its Correspondents, etc. We take the liberty of making some extracts from a letter we recently received from a kind friend.

Ky., Jan. 30, 1857.

Mr. MIDDLETON:

Your paper has afforded me so much pleasure this winter, that I think I ought to present you my acknowledgements. Among other pleasant visitors to my room, "The Shelby News" receives a hearty greeting, and I watch for its arrival as eagerly as I would for the face of a friend.

Books and pen are quickly thrown aside,

on its entrance. First the town items are

inquired into; then the longer articles, and

communications receive a more careful perusal; and a study of the advertisements

winds up the interview.—Those adver-

tisements have a wonderful interest. They

are like so many little private notes from

friends, informing of their whereabouts;

their prosperity, and their future prospects.

I believe you have fully redeemed your promise, as to what your paper should be after the election.—Well, we couldn't elect our President, could we? You laid out your best strength on "The Shelby News"

—and I went all the way to bearing a flag! Well, it is worth while to be beaten sometimes, to learn how good-natured we can take it!

You have some very interesting correspondents to your paper. Who is this "EDITH," that is writing of late? She interests me much. She has cultivation and taste; her heart seems full of thoughts and feelings that need but the occasion to call forth a flood. What has become of MITIE DUMAN?

There is one thing I would like to know, and that is: who wrote the Carrier's Ad-

dress for the Shelby News. It was cer-

tainly a capital imitation of Hiawatha—not

the mere mechanism,—the cadence and rhythm were given; but the very spirit—the

essence—the ethereal part of that poem

were caught by the writer. That machine

of his is a wonderful affair. I wish he

would set it in motion, and turn out a poem

of his own. Mr. GORDON has pictured

the tragic scenes that may have transpired

among the Algonquins, in the early Welch

settlements in this country. But it seems

to me, the Egyptians, with their imposing

ceremonies,—their mysterious rites,—their

ideas of metempsychosis, and the soul's lo-

yalty, as long as a vestige of the body re-

mained,—their Herculean feats in architec-

ture and the mechanic arts, give scope to a

wider field for fancy to revel in, than any

which has yet been selected by our poets.

I think that the owner of that machine,

could winnow poetic thoughts from the labo-

rithm mazes that ensnared the priests of the Nile, as Souther in his Curse of Kehama comes from the polytheism of the Hin-

doo. Moore, in his Epicurean, has given an

intimation of what the poet could do with

that same religion—that same people, trans-

lated to this western world. Those munim-

es, each in his niche of solid rock, found

in the cave at Lexington, and so ruthlessly

destroyed by the early settlers, and other

relics, point to Kentucky as a fruitful soil

—and our poet could resuscitate, "the dim

years passed to moulder with obscure, for-

gotten cycles," when, "how strange a sto-

ry," those mummies have walked about in

Lexington, "three thousand years ago."

It is needless for us to speak in the lan-

guage of panegyric upon the name of Wash-

ington. Americans in heart—who cling

with reverence to their country's hope-

who are free from kingly chains and from

imperial bondage—these have his eulogium

written on the fadless tapestry of the soul's

eternal halls—one to which we could never

add. It is peculiarly fit, at this stage of

our history, to cherish this memory, when

Americans, on their own ground, are fight-

ing a battle with that "foreign influence,"

against which he so solemnly warned us,

in his farewell address. But his spirit is

still abroad, and still walks earthly courts

with the stately step of fame. His words

are ours,—his voice is not an echo, and

years will but make it dearer—as a pleasant

song learned in forgotten years."

Declined.—Salt has declined in price at Louisville. The Company has instructed their agents to sell at 35 cents per bushel, wholesale, and 37½ cents retail—less than ten barrels.

Southern Pacific Rail-Road. To the Editor of The Shelby News:

DEAR SIR: I have just returned from New York, and have this moment received a paper from Marshall, Texas, of 24th January, in which the chief Engineer of the "Southern Pacific Railroad Company," states: "The number of hands on the Southern Pacific Railroad is a little over 450. An addition of 63 Irishmen was made on yesterday, and a hundred more is expected daily. Ample funds are being deposited in New Orleans to meet all the engagements of the road. The 2,000 tons of iron, which has been in New Orleans since July last, has been ordered to be landed at Port Caddo. The 1,500 tons bought in December, is to be delivered in New Orleans by the 15th of February. As it arrives, it also will be shipped immediately to Port Caddo. With the present force, twenty-five miles can be completed by October next."

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MEMORANDUM. Of Sales, advertised in the Shelby News, and by bill printed in the News Office.

The Tavern Stand of P. F. JOHNSON, at Grafton, See advertisement.

The excellent farm of Wm. M. GIBSON, of Oldham county. See advertisement.

The fine farm of Wm. F. WOODWARD, See advertisement.

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The Garland.

Watch, Watch, Mother.

Mother—watch the little feet,
Climbing o'er the garden wall,
Bounding over the green streets,
Ranging cellar, shed and hall!
Never count the moments lost,
Never mind the time it costs,
Little feet will go astray,
Guide them, mother, while you may!

Mother—watch the little hand,
Picking berries by the way;
Mother—watch the tiny feet,
Tossing up the fragrant bay!
Never dare the question ask,
Why to this wavy task?
These same little hands may prove
Messengers of light and love.

Mother—watch the little tongue,
Prattling tongue of old,
With a smile, what is song
Be happy, joyous child!
Catch the word, whilst yet unspoken;
Sow the word, let it be broken;
The same tongue may proclaim
Blessings in a savour's name.

Mother—watch the little heart,
Beating fast and warm for you;
What a little lesson import!
Keep O keep, that young heart true;
Extracting every weed,
Sowing good and precious seed,
Harvest rich you may see,
Reaping for eternity!

Miscellaneous.

Go back Rose.—By ELLEN LOUISA CHANDLER.—There were three of us—Kate, Annette, and myself—and we were going into the old wood to hunt for strawberries. Oh! it was such a delicious day in June. The birds sang till the air was fairly vocal with their melody, and all the green trees nodded their heads in approbation. The very brook seemed to have caught the general inspiration, and danced along the meadows, as if keeping time to a quick-step of the fairies.

Annette Somers and I had been invited to spend the half-holiday with our schoolmate Kate Harrington. Deacon Harrington's old house, brown house fronted toward the south. Behind it stretched a broad, green meadow, and still farther back was a densely wooded acclivity, famous for flowers and berries in the geography of every child in Ryefield. I used to love to look at Deacon Harrington's old brown house, even in those early days, when I had not a single well-defined notion of artistic taste in my early head. I know now that it combined to an eminent degree the elements of the picturesque. The low roof, which sloped backward nearly to the ground, was grey with moss. Ivy crept about the windows, and over the rustic porch had twined climbing roses, along with heavy clusters of trumpet creeper.

There was a rude seat at the doorway, made of the little bunches of the white birch, twisted together in fantastic fashion, and her grandmother Harrington was wont to sit with her grey woolen knitting work.—

"I wish I were you, Kate," exclaimed Annette, after we had spent half the long summer afternoon chasing butterflies and arranging a vegetable baby house with hollow hooks for our ladies' parasols, and teapots manufactured out of veritable poppy pods.—"I wish I were you, and then I could be happy all day long, with nothing to trouble me."

"You could, could you?" and Kate's cheeks flushed, as she put away from them her heavy bands of black hair—"you think so; and they all know about it. I have a thousand things to tell you now."—"There's Rose, for instance. Mother expects me to be constantly taking care of her, and she's the greatest little torment you ever saw.—

Then the way she'd do it! Then the way she'd up her hair in such fly-away tufts; and if you believe it, Mrs. Smith, she actually had the impudence to tell me that she couldn't make her hair straight as my Maria Jane's.

And there's the upstart dressmaker, Kate Manly; setting her cap for the doctor's son; the impertinence of some people is perfectly astonishing. I don't think she's any better than she ought to be; for my own part, I never did like her, with her mild soft look, when any one's around; my word for it, she can look, cross enough when there ain't; then she says she's only seventeen! Goodness knows she's as old as my Arabella Loretta, and she—well I won't say how old, but she's more'n seventeen, and I ain't ashamed to say so either; but I guess Dr. May's son will have more discretion than to think of marrying her.

—So please folks call her tomfool!—Well, I don't. She ain't half so good looking as my daughter Jane. Then the way she'd do it! Then the way she'd up her hair in such fly-away tufts; and if you believe it, Mrs. Smith, she actually had the impudence to tell me that she couldn't make her hair straight as my Maria Jane's.

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